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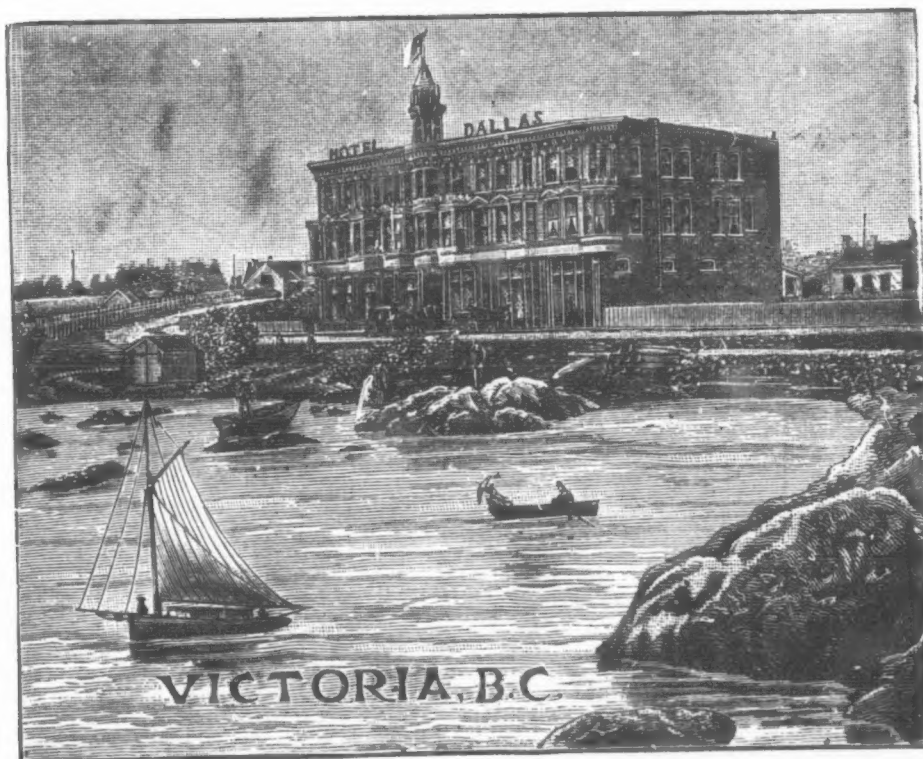
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✱ VICTORIA ✱

BRIEFLY DESCRIBED.

VICTORIA, the most pleasant and delightful city on the Pacific Coast, is the capital and seat of Government of British Columbia, situated on the extreme south-eastern extremity of Vancouver Island, in lat. 48° 25' 20" north and long. 123° 22' 24" west.

Early in the present century, the Hudson's Bay Company established a trading post at Victoria; in 1847, they built a fort; and, in 1852, the town was surveyed and plotted by the late Mr. Pemberton and his assistants; and, in 1862, was incorporated as a city. At the present time, the City Council comprises a mayor and nine aldermen, elected annually in January. Since incorporation, the city limits have been several times extended, until they now embrace an area of about 8½ square miles.

Victoria is a city manifold in its advantages and delightful to the heart of the tourist. Driving over any of the excellent and well preserved and macadamized roads the eye is enchanted with the picturesqueness of the landscape and the handsome residences, with their well-kept gardens, are evidence of the prosperity of the inhabitants and the richness of the soil. The scenery is grand; Mount Baker with its ever snow-clad top being conspicuous in the distance, and the drives in and around Victoria are numerous and enchanting. The climate is delightful; in summer, always cool and pleasant,

especially in the evenings ; in the winter, the thermometer rarely falls below 16° above zero ; the average rainfall being about thirty-four inches.

The increase of the population has been steady. In 1874, it numbered 4,674 ; in 1884, 12,000 ; and, at the last census, in 1891, taken by the city, the return was 22,981.

To the sportsman, Victoria is a delightful headquarters ; for within easy distance of the city can be found in plenty quail, snipe, wild duck, grouse (blue and willow) and pheasants, and also deer. The angler can, in the numerous lakes and mountain streams, find trout ; and, in the various bays of the sea, salmon at all seasons. Visitors cannot do better than trust themselves to the guidance of the genial proprietor of the DALLAS HOTEL, who is himself a keen sportsman.

Victoria possesses a well-appointed theatre, capable of seating 1,200 persons ; and, during the winter season, performances by the best companies are continuously represented.

The industries of Victoria are numerous and varied, including large iron and boiler works, machine shops, saw mills, flour and rice mills, chemical works, ship-building, etc. ; in fact, every industry is well represented by many flourishing firms of old standing and respectability.

The various churches are well represented ; amongst the principal being Christ Church Cathedral in Burdette Avenue, (Anglican) ; St. Andrew's Cathedral (R.C.), in Blanchard street ; the Methodist, in Pandora street ; the Presbyterian, in Douglas street ; with several others of all denominations scattered over the city, all in close proximity by car line to the DALLAS HOTEL.

Victoria has a splendid ten minutes' service of electric street railways, conducted by a private company, having about 14½ miles of rails, branching out in various directions from the business centre, having a terminus within two minutes' walk of the DALLAS HOTEL.

OAK BAY.

A most popular resort for picnics and excursions. A splendid view of Mount Baker can be seen from the bay. Electric tram-cars run from the DALLAS HOTEL.

THE PROVINCIAL MUSEUM.

Situated in the Government grounds in James' Bay, a few minutes by tram from the DALLAS HOTEL, is open to the public free from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Organized in 1887, with a few specimens of British Columbia products in mineral and natural history, it has developed under the able supervision of Mr. John Fannin, the curator, to its present extensive and interesting collection of minerals, fossils, Indian curios, specimens of natural history, etc., etc., which all visitors should not fail to see.

GOLDSTREAM.

A very picturesque resort about 11 miles from Victoria, so named from an excitement some years since of gold being found in its stream, is reached by the E. & N. railway; but a drive from the DALLAS HOTEL, through Esquimalt, the various hamlets and Langford plains (the picnic paradise of Victorians), would repay the tourist. Hunting and fishing, combined with its most lovely scenery, are its chief attractions.

COWICHAN LAKE.

Reached from Victoria by the E. & N. railway, is famous for its lake, which is twenty miles long and two miles wide, and abounds in fish, principally speckled trout. This lake is noted throughout the Province for its excellent fly fishing—fifty or sixty pounds being no uncommon catch in a single day.

The beautiful resorts around Victoria frequented by the sportsman, cyclist and by tourists and Victorians in riding and driving are so numerous that to give them in detail would require more space than is at command; suffice it to say that from the DALLAS HOTEL, the visitor can, within a very few minutes, satisfy his requirements, be they boating, fishing, hunting, driving or walking.

✧ RESORTS ✧

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In and around Victoria.

BEACON HILL.

Lying to the south of the city, and overlooking the Straits of San Juan, and within five minutes' from the DALLAL HOTEL. It commands from its high points perhaps the finest landscape views of mountains, water and islands that are to be seen in any part of the world. From the DALLAS HOTEL, an uninterrupted drive along the shores of the Straits and through the park can be enjoyed that is unequalled anywhere. Nature has done much and, being embellished by the art of man, has made Beacon Hill the pride of Victoria. It is a grand athletic ground, and various games—such as cricket, baseball, lacrosse, etc.—are always being played.

THE GORGE.

A north arm of the harbour is reached by a lovely drive from the DALLAS HOTEL; but the most favoured route is by boat. The scenery around the Gorge is very beautiful.

ESQUIMALT.

One of the most prominent resorts in the vicinity of Victoria lying to the west of the city, has a most splendid harbour, where Her Majesty's men-of-war are always stationed; it being the naval station for the Pacific squadron, every facility is given the public to inspect them at all times. The graving dock, lately built at the expenditure of one million dollars, is 400 feet in length, 26 feet deep, and has an entrance of 90 feet. The electric railway tram-cars run from the DALLAS HOTEL. The drive from the DALLAS HOTEL through the city and over the north arm of the harbour is very beautiful.

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